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GROUP ART UNIT:  
3683

INVENTOR(S): Akira TSUBOUCHI, Kiyoshi OKUBO and Yasushi WATANABE

TITLE OF INVENTION: HOLLOW RACK SHAFT AND MANUFACTURING METHOD THEREOF

## **MAIL STOP RCE**

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PATENT APPLICATION IS:

- ☒ (A) A Preliminary Amendment in response to the Office Action dated October 16, 2003.
- ☒ (B) A Petition for Extension of Time (\$110)  
☒ for 1 month ☐ for 2 months ☐ for 3 months;  
 A Petition for Extension of Time, having been previously filed,  
☐ for 1 month ☐ for 2 months ☐ for 3 months
- ☐ (C) A request for approval of proposed drawing changes.
- ☐ (D) A Letter to Official Draftsperson.
- ☐ (E) An Information Disclosure Statement.
- ☒ (F) Other: Request for Continued Examination (RCE) Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.114 (\$770)
- ☐ (G) A Notice of Change of Inventor Address.
- ☐ The claims fee, if any, has been calculated as shown below

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February 16, 2004

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	CLAIMS REMAINING AFTER AMENDMENT		HIGHEST NO. PREVIOUSLY PAID FOR	PRESENT EXTRA
TOTAL	0	MINUS	0	0
INDEP.	0	MINUS	0	0
FIRST PRESENTATION OF MULTIPLE DEP. CLAIM				

### SMALL ENTITY

RATE	ADD'L FEE
x \$9	\$
x \$43	
+ \$145	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	\$ 0.00

OR

### LARGE ENTITY

RATE	ADD'L FEE
x \$18	\$-0-
x \$86	\$-0-
+ \$290	
TOTAL ADD'L FEE	\$-0-

- ☒ Please charge \$880 to Sidley Austin Brown & Wood LLP's Deposit Account No. 18-1260, which includes  
☐ the amount of \$0 for the claims fee calculated above AND/OR  
☒ the amount of \$880 for the fee for item(s) ☒ (B) ☐ (E) ☒ (F), *supra*
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- ☒ A duplicate copy of this Response Transmittal and Fee Authorization is enclosed.

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